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IX RE APPLICATION OF:

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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 09792909-5225

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SERIAL NO.:

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GROUP ART UNIT:

FILED:

October 19, 2001

EXAMINER: Richard A. Booth

FOR:

"METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE"

## AMENDMENT "B"

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington D.C. 2023

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional claim fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

|                  |   |                                     | CLAIMS AS AMEND                              | ED                      | T                                      | ·                        |
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|                  | (2)<br>C'LAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT       |                                     | (4)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA | (6)<br>RATE                            | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS  | 6   | MINUS                               | 20   |                         | () X 9.00<br>() X 18.00                |                          |
| INDEP.<br>CLAIMS | 1   | MINUS                               | 3  |                         | ( ) X 40.00<br>( ) X 80.00             | s                        |
|                  | amended to contain<br>dependent claims<br>sly paid for. |                                     |  | ( ) YES<br>( ) NO       | () \$135.00<br>() \$270.00<br>ONE TIME |                          |
|                  |   | TOTAL ADDITIONATION FOR THIS AMENDM |  | \$                      |  |                          |

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office

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|   | Action dated for month(s) so that the period for response is extended to A check                            |
|   | in the amount of \$ is attached to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should    |
|   | be charged or credited to deposit account No. 19-3140 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.           |
|   | A check in the amount of \$ is attached to cover the additional claim fee.                                  |
|   | A check for \$ accompanying attached Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. §1.321.                            |
|   | A check for \$ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.                      |
|   | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any |
|   | overpayment to account No. 19-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.                                  |
|   | When phoning re this application, please call 312/876-8000 - Ext. 12578.                                    |
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|   | SONNENSCHEIN NATH & ROSENTHAL   |
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|   | BY (Reg. No. <u>32,919)</u>   |
|   | David R. Metzger  |
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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on May 7, 2003.

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